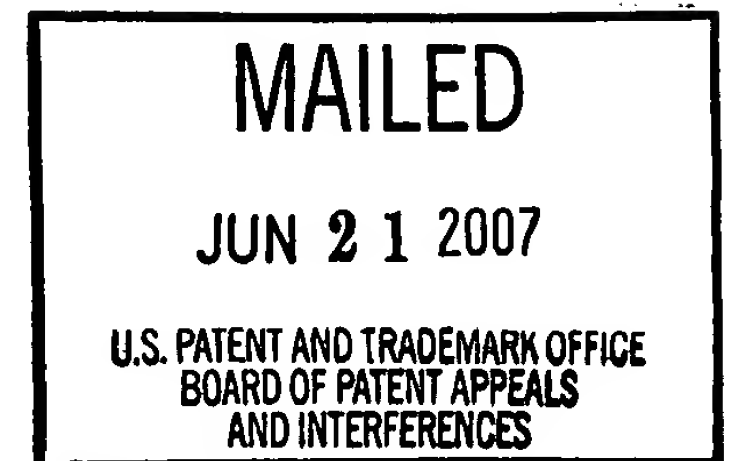


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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
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Ex parte: KENRO NAKAMURA,
TAKEO KUBOTA and GAKU MINAMIHABA

Application No. 09/453,831



ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on June 8, 2007. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Appellant filed an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) dated July 16, 2003. There is no indication on the record that the above Information Disclosure Statement was considered by the examiner. A written communication notifying appellant of the Examiner's consideration is required.

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CONCLUSION

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the examiner for:

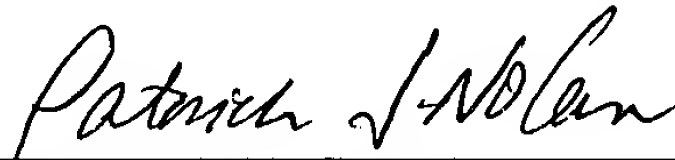
1) consideration and proper written response to the identified Information Disclosure

Statement dated July 16, 2003;

2) to notify appellants of such consideration; and

3) for such further action as may be appropriate.

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